'83 May Newsletter

North Dakota Chess Association

Dedicated to Chess and Education

Springtime GREETINGS to all NDCA Members! We are bringing plenty of news of North Dakota Chess, that may interest you. North Dakota has a new chess champion, ERIK KNUTSON of Fargo, after the NORTH DAKOTA CLOSED! Noted are more players with fine results, NDCA has a new (revised) constitution, future chess events for ND, and some new officers to lead the 'chesspack'. ENJOY!!

** WAHPETON QUADS #2 **

Saturday MAY 21, 1983
@ NDSSS Student Center, Wahpeton

Entry fee: $4.00
Time Limit: 45/90; 15/30.
Prizes: $12.00 to winners of 1st, in each QUAD.
Rounds: Saturday @ 10 - 2 - 6.

Also a NOVICE TOURNAMENT, an unrated event, is scheduled on the same day! Entry fee is only $1.00 and the winner will receive a USCF Membership. (Times & Site the same as above.)

Send ENTRIES to: DAVE ROSLEY
(PH: 642-8495) Rte. 2, Box 168
Wahpeton, ND 58075

June 4 - International Tornado
4 SS. TL, 30/1. Entry: $10.
Rounds: 10-1-4-7. Reg: 9-9:30.
Prizes: 1st-$40, 2nd-$20, & A, B, C & Under, All $20.
@ Concordia College Student Center, 9th Ave. & 6th St., Moorhead, Minnesota, 56560.

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June 5 The following day, you can play one game at 45/2, with a Canadian Opponent, for $1! Minn., ND, & Manitoba players will gather for TEAM MATCHES. CAL WIPF is the ND captain; contact him @ 714 18th Ave. S. in FARGO, if interested!

LET'S PLAY CHESS!

May 14-15 Michelob Open (That got your attention, eh?) 4 SS TL 45/2 RDS 9-2/9-2 EF$10 in advance, $14 at site; $10 Jrs. PZ:(20) 1st $100 2nd $50 3d $30 Top Under 1700,1500 & Unr. All $40 EF includes entry to Sat. Evening event. RG: 8:30 AM. IN Advance: Arnold Mathews, 916 11th Ave NE Aberdeen SD 57401 Site: Wolf's Den, Northern St. Coll., Aberdeen SD,NC

Saturday Unrated Social 3SS TL All/½RDS 7-8:30-10 EF:incl. w/Open. PZ: $75-$25. Each player will consume an equal, predetermined amount of hich before each game. (Wait--you mean they MAKE you drink beer? See ya in Aberdeen!) Wolf's Den, etc.

Region VI Championships

IN THREE GREAT EVENTS MAY 28,29,30 HAR MAR MALL (Cty 36 & SNELLING) Roseville, Minnesota

MAY 28-30 OPEN (The Big Banana) 6 RD SS TL: 45/2, 25/1 RDS 10-3/10-4/10-4 EF:$20 if postmarked by 5/20, $25 at the site. PZ: 1st $300 2nd $200 3rd $100 GTD Top 2000-2099, 1900-1999, 1800-1899 & Top U1800! ALL $100 + Trophy (Based on 6 per class) RG:8-9AM

MAY 28-29 AMATEUR (The Little Banana) Restricted to U1800 5 SS TL 50/2, 15/½ RDS 10-2-7/10-3 EF:$15 if postmarked by May 20, $20 at site. PZ: 1st $200 2nd $100 GTD Top 1500-1599, 1400-1499, 1300-1399, U 1300 (Based on 6/class) ALL: $70 + Trophy RG:8-9 AM

BOTH THIS: EARLY BIRD SPECIAL--MAIL ENTRIES BY MAY 1 AND RECEIVE AN ADDITIONAL FIVE DOLLAR DISCOUNT ON EF! MAIL TO: MSCA BOX 30003 ST PAUL MN 55175

MAY 30 CYCLONE (For the rest of you fruits) 3 RD SS TL 30/1, 20/½ RDS 10-1:30-3 EF:$10--$5 to anyone who played /is playing in Open or Amateur. PZ:GTD $100 distributed per entries. RG:8:30-9:30.

YES, YOU CAN PLAY 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, or 14 RATED GAMES IN ONE WEEKEND AT DIFFERENT TIME CONTROLS!! PICK YOUR POISON!! BUT BE THERE!!!
Address queries to Rick Linden (612) 379-8531

1983 NDCA Annual Membership Meeting

President Cam Starr called the general meeting to order. Then Secretary-Treasurer LaMoyne Splichal read the Minutes of the 1982 meeting. (approved by Ron Schauer & seconded by Brent Askvig) The treasurer's report was noted also. (approved by Dale Kunnanz & seconded by Marv Johnson)

OLD BUSINESS: Ron Schauer motioned & Kunnanz seconded a proposal to add $100 to Prize Fund to the 1984 North Dakota Closed. NDCA membership Passed it, since we have extra money from funds.

* Cam Starr suggested all to play in the ND Postal Championship.
* The motion passed for the NDCA Governing Board to organize the '84 North Dakota Scholastic tournament.
* Schauer motioned & Askvig seconded, on a motion to add $100 to boost Scholastic tournament prize fund. This is in effect ONLY IF we did not have adequate sponsorship. The organizers of the event must make substantial progress to get donations from businesses, etc. NDCA membership passed the motion.
* Dave Rosley noted that he directed some NOVICE TOURNAMENTS in Wahpeton, to promote chess. Also the annual Kirkwood tournament in Bismarck was unrated, and again attracted new players & interest.

A motion was made to change to New Business, before election of officers. Discussion followed on a revision of the NDCA Constitution, proposed by Brent Askvig. A motion was made by Askvig & seconded by David Kiester, to approve the revised NDCA constitution. The members there voted, and PASSED adoption of the revised NDCA Constitution.

ELECTION OF NDCA OFFICERS: Cam Starr gave a 'farewell address', noting fine points about NDCA, etc., and said others could be Pres., who have more time for the job. BRENT ASKVIG was nominated and elected as our new PRESIDENT, from Bismarck. DAVID ROSLEY was nominated & elected as the new PRESIDENT-ELECT, from Wahpeton. (He will assume office of President in 1984.) LaMOYNE SPLICHAL was nominated & re-elected as SECRETARY-TREASURER, from Dickinson. Nominations for Public Relations Officer were Jim Oslin & Jerry Triggs. JIM OSLIN, of Belcourt, was re-elected as PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER of NDCA.

Pres. Askvig & the membership, appointed these people as the REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES: Northwest - Michael Sprague, Northeast - John Kasper, Southeast - Steve Turmo, & Southwest - Jerry Triggs.

NEW BUSINESS: Cam Starr reported on a team match, June 5, with Canadian, Minnesotan, & ND players, at Moorhead. An international tornado will be held June 4. Contact Cal Wipf, Team Captain, if you wish to play on North Dakota's team.

* John Peters suggested a summer team match between the 4 regions.
* Askvig discussed chess events in summer, for North Dakota.

The NDCA members passed the motion of creating a North Dakota Chess Hall of Fame. The NDCA Governing Board will set criteria for players entering the hall of fame. Kasper motioned & Schauer seconded on motion for STEPHAN A. POPEL to be inducted as the first member, of the North Dakota Chess Hall of Fame. The NDCA Membership PASSED the motion unanimously, without audible dissent!

Schauer moved to adjourn & Orhan Erdem seconded. Pres. Askvig closed the 1983 membership meeting. --- Respectfully Submitted,

LaMoyne Splichal - NDCA Sec.

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NDCA GOVERNING BOARD

LOSE YOUR CLOCK? a chess clock was found, in Bismarck. If you can identify it, call Brent and claim it!

NEWSLETTER!
Deadline for next one, is July 5th. Send articles, games, and material, to Jim or LaMoyne, by that date. Please contribute, to the cause!

BREAKDOWN of '83 ND Closed Expense

The NDCA had a successful event, in terms of not losing any money. In fact with donations from various businesses (coupons, room, food discounts, etc.) we were happy with the results. The breakdown on $$:

Promotional Rub/stamp	7.73
Coffee & Donuts	6.02
Xeroxing pairings, paper..	4.00
Trophies ...	73.87
Chess Life advertisement	21.00
USCF Rating fee	25.38
	$138.00
ENTRY FEES 502.00	
CHESS LIFE CREDIT 21.00	
$523.00	

$523 income minus $138, leaves $385 which was distributed out as prizes!

NDCA Treasurer Summary

At press time, we have $788.49 in our accounts, and 58 paid up members. Due to room for time & space, I'll wait for July NDCA Newsletter to extend my report more fully. It will focus the past year financially. -- LaMoyne S.
NDCA Treasurer

CHAMPIONS & PRIZEWINNERS @ The 1983 North Dakota Closed!

ERIK KNUTSON - State Chess Champ $75, trophy, entry to '84 Closed
JOHN PETERS - 2nd pl & Top A. $35, trophies for 2nd & 1st A.
JERRY TRIGGS - Top B (& 2nd). $35, Top B trophy.
Dave Lindseth & DuWayne Langseth $35 each, share of 2nd pl. $$$$.
Richard Herr & Brent Askvig $7.50 each, Class B, 3rd-4th pl.
WAYNE BUXA - Class C, 1st. $25, + trophy.
Steve Turmo & Dale Kunnanz $10 each, Exp./A 2nd pl. $$.
EUGENE TROTTIER - Top D. $25, + trophy.
Ed Lutgen - 2nd pl. C, $20.
TONY HOEVET - Class E, 1st. trophy, +$15 share E/Unr. $$
Donald J. Adams - 2nd D, $20.
Vernon Gourneau & Steve Lengenfelder - each $15 share E/Unr. $
CHARLES NADEAU - Top Unrated. trophy. Congratulations all!

President's Message:

Changes are in sight!! NDCA members attending the 1983 N.D. Closed in Bismarck on April 23-24 evidenced this. A new state champion, Erik Knutson, was crowned. Congratulations, Erik, on a fine tournament. The NDCA members also adopted a new state constitution to replace the outdated 1975 version (send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to me if you need additional copies). With the new constitution came a new change in the NDCA governing system. The new positions and members are: President-Elect—Dave Rosley, Sec.-Treas.—LaMoyne Splichal and Public Relations—Jim Oslin. The regional representatives are: N.W.—Michael Sprague, N.E.—John Kasper, S.W.—Jerry Triggs, S.E.—Steve Turmo. This 8 member Governing Board will meet twice yearly to govern the NDCA. Suggestions and comments from all NDCA members is encouraged. Many events are planned for the upcoming year. Included are the N.D. Postal Championsip, Regional Team Championship, ND/MN/Canada Match, N.D. Scholastic Tournament and the regular slate of fine N.D. Tournaments. Get out and support North Dakota Chess!!!!!!! THANK YOU.

Brent Askvig
NDCA President

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK:

The NDCA would like to thank the following sponsors for their donations to the 1983 N.D. Closed Chess Tournament: First Federal Bldg., Bismarck, LeRoy's Standard, KFYR-TV, Centurian Restaurant, Perkins Cake & Steak, Hardee's North, Taco Bell, Ron Schauer, CDCC, A&B Pizza, Country House Deli and Godfathers Pizza.

A survey completed by the players at the N.D. Closed showed that, overall, most thought the format, site, and date of the tournament were excellent. Although the room did get somewhat stuffy, especially on Saturday, the playing conditions were generally good. Most players expressed that the NDCA meeting went well also.

The NDCA is in the process of organizing a N.D. Regional Team Match this summer. Please keep in contact with your regional representative. Let him know you want to play so he can organize a team.

A ND/MN/Canada Match is planned for early June. We need players to fill at least 10-15 boards. Contact Cal Wipf, tournament organizer, at 714 18th Ave., South in Fargo if you want to play. This event, usually held on a Sunday, is preceded by a one day tornado on Saturday.

1983 NORTH DAKOTA CLOSED BOOKLET: It will contain the games and round by round results of the 1983 Closed, and much more! The 1983 N.D. Closed Booklet can be yours for only $3.00 with your name and address to Brent Askvig, 1109 N. 18th. St., Bismarck, N.D. 58501. Please allow 6-8 weeks for delivery.

THE 1983 NORTH DAKOTA POSTAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

DEADLINE — MAY 21ST!

Open to all chess players with a North Dakota mailing address, and whose NDCA Membership is current.

ENTRY FEE: $3.00 ONLY!!!
(NDCA Membership is $5.00 for a year, $3 for junior members.)

PRIZES: Except for pairings and related postage expense (expense limited to 50 cents per entry) all entry fees will be paid as prize money. To be distributed as follows:

First: 70% plus title of 1983 North Dakota Postal Champ.
Second: 20%
Third: 10%

FORMAT: Single round robin with players having six opponents at a time. However, if the number of entries is too great for a round robin, the format will be two or more mixed-rating sections with a round robin playoff by the players with the best results. Where applicable, the USCF Postal Chess rules shall apply. Algebraic Notation unless opponents are to agree on another notation.

SEND ENTRIES TO: MARVIN SOPKO
217 E. 41st Street
Sioux Falls, SD 57105

(NEW ADDRESS)

***** Make checks payable to North Dakota Chess Association. In addition to your name & address, please indicate your NDCA Membership number, and your Rating. (USCF Postal, USCF over-the-board, and/or CCLA)

LET'S PLAY POSTAL CHESS !!!

Here are a couple of games I played while on vacation.

SUNDAY TYPHOON-CHICAGO CHESS CENTER 12/19/82 — Jerry Triggs

Jerry Triggs 1564 - Gerard Jungman 1747 Stonewall 23*Prevents NxP

1P-Q4 N-KB3 2P-K3 P-QB4 3P-QB3 P-K3 4B-Q3 N-B3 5N-Q2 P-Q4 6P-KB4 B-Q3 7KN-B3 P-QN3 8o-o B-N2 9N-K5 Q-B2 10Q-B3 o-o-o 11Q-K2 P-B5 12B-B2 QR-B1 13P-QN3 P-QN4 14P-QR4 P-QR3 15RPxP RPxP 16PxP NPxP 17B-R3 N-Q2 18KR-N1 P-B3 19NxBN BxN 20BxB QxB 21R-R6 Q-B2 22B-R4 BxB 23RxB K-Q1* 24R(4)-N4 K-K2 25R-N7 Q-B3 26Q-N4 P-N3 27Q-R4 K-B2 28Q-R6 Q-Q3 29P-K4 R-QN1 30 P-K5 Q-K2 31PxP KxP 32N-B3 RxR 33RxR R-Q1 34N-K5 K-B4 35N-B6 Resigns

SUNDAY OPEN-NEW YORK CHESS CENTER 12/26/82

Ken Wren 1643 - Jerry Triggs 1670 Dutch Defense

1P-Q4 P-Q4 2N-KB3 P-K3 3P-K3 B-Q3 4B-Q3 N-Q2 5o-o P-KB4 6QN-Q2 KN-B3 7R-K1 N-K5 8N-B1 o-o 9P-QB4 P-B3 10P-QR4 B-B2 11P-QN3 R-B3 12BxN BPxB 13N-R4 P-KN4 14Q-N4 P-KR3 15P-KB4 R-B2 16PxNP PxNP 17N-N3 N-B1 18B-R3 P-K4 19N(4)-B5 Q-B3 20R-B1 Q-N3 21BxN KxB 22P-R4 PxQP 23QxP QxQ 24PxQ PxKP 25P-N6 BxN at N3 26PxR B-B7+ 27RxB PxR+ 28KxP BxN and wins

13th Red River Open - Moorhead, Minn.
March 19-20, 1983 TD S. Sorenson

*	Name	Rating	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	Pts.
1	Erik Knutson	1919	W19	W18	W5	D2	W9	4½
2	Tony B. Campbell	1988	W13	W8	W10	D1	D3	4
3	Alan Soble	2107	W21	D16	W17	W15	D2	4
4	Tom Burrow	1713	W27	L11	W22	W23	W15	4
5	John D. Kasper	1773	W22	W6	L1	W16	D8	3½
6	Lyle A. Hanson	2000	W20	L5	W19	W18	D7	3½
7	Darwin Beuning	1751	W26	L15	W20	W10	D6	3½
8	Calvin Wipf	1722	W30	L2	W29	W17	D5	3½
9	S.A. Popel	2165	W12	L10	W14	W11	L1	3
10	Steve Makela	1778	W25	W9	L2	L7	W20	3
11	Jon Heimarck	1917	W24	W4	D15	L9	D16	3
12	Thomas Biedermann	1692	L9	L17	W26	W24	W19	3
13	Silvano Bentzel	1303	L2	W26	L18	W27	W21	3
14	David Rosley	1614	L15	W25	L9	W29	W18	3
15	Stephen Turmo	2069	W14	W7	D11	L3	L4	2½
16	John W. Peters	1888	W23	D3	D23	L5	D11	2½
17	Eric Swendsrud	1476	D23	W12	L3	L8	W28	2½
18	Richard Herr	1746	W29	L1	W13	L6	L14	2
19	Michael Herbeck	1392	L1	W30	L6	W22	L12	2
20	Gerald Heuer	1506	L6	W28	L7	W25	L10	2
21	Cameron Starr	1651	L3	L23	W27	W28	L13	2
22	Jeffrey Salveson	1156	L5	W31	L4	L19	W30	2
23	David Lommen	1965	D17	W21	D16	L4	---	2
24	Joseph Gagner	1289	L11	L27	W30	L12	W26	2
25	A.C. Mastrud	1220	L10	L14	Bye	L20	W29	2
26	Vernon Gourneau	1052	L7	L13	L12	W31	L24	1
27	Charles Nadeau	UNR	L4	W24	L21	L13	L31	1
28	Eugene Trottier	1223	L16	L20	W31	L21	L17	1
29	Barry Poitra	991	L18	Bye	L8	L14	L25	1
30	Kenny Kraft	902	L8	L19	L24	Bye	L22	1
31	Charles Li	1497	--	L22	L28	L26	W27	1

+++ Jerry Triggs beat Brent Askvig, 3½ - 2½, in 6 games, a match just recently completed. +++

18th TRI-COLLEGE FM OPEN * April 9-10, '83
@MSU, Moorhead, MN Director: Dave Rosley

*	Name	Rating	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	Pts.
1	Popel	2165	W12	W19	W7	W9	D6	4½
2	Knutson	1919	W13	W11	D6	D8	W10	4
3	Heimarck	1918	W29	L8	W17	W12	W11	4
4	Silas	1849	W22	W14	D5	D6	W9	4
5	Starr	1651	W32	D10	D4	W19	W18	4
6	Soble	2107	W28	W15	D2	D4	D1	3½
7	Sorenson	1948	W17	W20	L1	W24	D8	3½
8	Biedermann	1692	W31	W3	D10	D2	D7	3½
9	Hanson	2000	W16	W21	W18	L1	L4	3
10	Kasper	1773	WF	D5	D8	W20	L2	3
11	Bolland	1683	W27	L2	W13	W18	L3	3
12	Levine	1640	L1	W30	W15	L3	W24	3
13	Erdem	1509	L2	W27	L11	WF	W19	3
14	Buerkle	1375	L15	L4	W27	W28	W20	3
15	Askvig	1722	W14	L6	L12	W21	D6	2½
16	Lutgen	1538	L9	W26	L20	W23	D15	2½
17	Matthews	1512	L7	W31	L3	D26	W25	2½
18	Herr	1746	W23	W24	L9	L11	L5	2
19	Wipf	1722	W30	L1	W29	L5	L13	2
20	Sprague	1715	W25	L7	W16	L10	L14	2
21	Bergh	1707	W26	L9	W23	L15	---	2
22	Towers	1438	L4	L29	L24	W32	W26	2
23	Stueve	1386	L18	W32	L21	L16	W30	2
24	Salveson	1156	BYE	L18	W22	L7	L12	2
25	Mastrud	1185	L20	L28	D32	BYE	L17	1½
26	Wangen	1178	L21	L16	BYE	D17	L22	1½
27	Lovell	UNR	L11	L13	L14	W31	D32	1½
28	Crary	1585	L6	W25	---	L14	---	1
29	Bayley	1483	L3	W22	L19	---	---	1
30	Gagner	1305	L19	L12	W31	LF	L23	1
31	Benkofske	UNR	L8	L17	L30	L27	BYE	1
32	Wilson	UNR	L5	L23	D25	L22	D27	1
33	Herbeck	1392	LF	---	---	---	---	0

1st Place - Popel.
2nd Place & Top A - Knutson/Heimarck/Silas
Top B - Starr. Top C - Erdem.
Top D - Buerkle. Top E/Unr - Salveson.

1983 NORTH DAKOTA CLOSED

April 23-24, '83

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		Rating	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	Total	Residence
1.	[illegible] (2)	2013	W25	W9	W19	W6	D2	4½	Fargo
2.	John Peters (4)	1916	W21	D5	W8	W4	D1	4	Grand Forks AFB
3.	Jerry Triggs (17)	1669	W26	W7	L6	W14	W11	4	Mandan
4.	Dave Lindseth (13)	1716	W29	W10	W11	L2	W9	4	Rugby
5.	LaMoyne Langseth (15)	1701	W33	D2	W13	W20	D6	4	Fargo
6.	Richard Herr (11)	1746	W28	W24	W3	L1	D5	3½	Wishek
7.	Brent Askvig (7)	1769	W27	L3	D31	W21	W19	3½	Bismarck
8.	Wayne Buxa (25)	1530	W15	W22	L2	D19	D13	3	Minot
9.	Dave Rosley (14)	1704	W30	L1	W26	W23	L4	3	Wahpeton
10.	Steve Turmo (1)	2079	W23	L4	D12	D17	W25	3	Fargo
11.	Dennis Burke (19)	1641	W35	W16	L4	W22	L3	3	Beulah
12.	Cam Starr (18)	1651	W37	D13	D10	D16	D20	3	Fargo
13.	John Kasper (8)	1769	W36	D12	L5	W32	D8	3	Grand Forks
14.	Dale Kunnanz (5)	1809	W31	L19	W24	L3	W27	3	Bismarck
15.	Bruce Davidson (6)	1780	L8	W32	D21	W31	D16	3	Bismarck
16.	Rick Case (10)	1751	W38	L11	W27	D12	D15	3	Minot
17.	Ron Schauer (9)	1769	D32	L20	W36	D10	W24	3	Mandan
18.	Eugene Trottier (31)	1203	L22	L23	W33	W38	W26	3	Belcourt
19.	Cal Wipf (16)	1701	W34	W14	L1	D8	L7	2½	Fargo
20.	Lyle Hanson (3)	2000	L24	W17	W25	L5	D12	2½	Wahpeton
21.	Ed Lutgen (23)	1561	L2	W30	D15	L7	W31	2½	Minot
22.	Darwin Beuning (12)	1733	W18	L8	W28	L11	D23	2½	Grand Forks AFB
23.	Terry Ness (20)	1612	L10	W18	W37	L9	D22	2½	Bismarck
24.	Lee Feldman (22)	1561	W20	L6	L14	W29	L17	2	Kenmare
25.	Dale Sailer (21)	1569	L1	W29	L20	W30	L10	2	Bismarck
26.	Tony Hoevet (36)	871	L3	W36	L9	W28	L18	2	Belcourt
27.	Orhan Erdem (26)	1509	L7	W34	L16	W33	L14	2	Grand Forks
28.	Donald Adams (30)	1222	L6	W35	L22	L26	W32	2	Grand Forks AFB
29.	Vernon Gourneau (32)	1150	L4	L25	W34	L24	W35	2	Belcourt
30.	S. Lengenfelder (33)	1133	L9	L21	W35	L25	W34	2	Bismarck
31.	Marv Johnson (24)	1554	L14	W33	D7	L15	L21	1½	Minot
32.	Silvano Bentzel (28)	1303	D17	L15	W38	L13	L28	1½	Minot
33.	Kenny Kraft (34)	1088	L5	L31	L18	L27	BYE	1	Belcourt
34.	Barry Poitra (35)	1007	L19	L27	L29	WF	L30	1	Belcourt
35.	Charles Nadeau (38)	UNR	L11	L28	L30	BYE	L29	1	Belcourt
36.	Joe Gagner (27)	1305	L13	L26	L17	LF	W38	1	Bismarck
37.	David Kiester (37)	UNR	L12	W38	L23	---	---	1	Carson
38.	Marvin Strissel (29)	1260	L16	L37	L32	L18	L36	0	Roseglen

The numbers in parentheses shows the position, before the games began. The tournament was sponsored by the North Dakota Chess Association. Director was LaMoyne Splichal, assisted by Brent Askvig and Ron Schauer, and also the Central Dakota Chess Club of Bismarck-Mandan. THANKS to all who came to PLAY CHESS!

Erik K. Knutson of Fargo submitted these two annotated games from the North Dakota Closed:

ROUND TWO (QUEEN'S INDIAN DEFENSE)
White: Dave Rooley Black: Erik Knutson

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 b6 3.Bd3 Bb7 4.Nf3 e6 5.bNd2 d5
A solid continuation.
6.O-O Bd7 7.c4
White's queen bishop has become catatonic.
7...Nc6 8.Re2 Nb4 9.Nc4 de 10.Nd2 f5 11.f3 ef 12.Nf3 Qe7
13. Qe2 Nf6 14.a3
The guard posted over g4 is not worth giving up the king's shield of pawns. g4 is open for enemy occupation.
14...Nb6 15.Qd1 Ng3 16.Re1 O-O 17.Nd2 Qh4 18.Bb3 Rf6
...Nh1 is interesting (e.g. 19.Qe2 Qg3 20.Nf3 Bf3 winning; but 19.Be6 Kh8 20.d5 Qg3 21.Nf3 seems to hold).
19.Nf3 Qh5 20.d5 e5 21.Be4
The sacrifice Ne5 achieves nothing.
21...Nc4 22.Nd2 Qh4 23.Nc4 Qe4 24.Bb3 Rg6 25.Re2 Qh4
Threatening...Qh3.
26.Kh1 Ba6
Black's queen bishop is resurrected.
27.Qe1 Rg3
Threatening Rh3.
28.Rf2 Bd3
29.Qd2 Be4 30.Re2?
A fatal slip. Kh2 orKg1 was called for.
30...Rh3
White Resigns

ROUND THREE
Pirc

White: Erik Knutson Black: Dr. Calvin Wipf

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.Be4 Nf6 5.Qe2
The "Can-Opener Attack".
5...a6?
Black must play book in this variation of the Pirc to avoid immediate assault. In the game Knutson-Synstelien from the Bison Open 1983, black played fNd7 and the game continued 6.Nf3 c5 7.Bf7! Kf7 *.Ng5 Kg8? 9.Qe4 with mate in three.
6.e5 de 7.de
The open d-file is to white's advantage.
7...Nfd7 8.Nf3
A cautious move. After e6 black must play f5.
8...Nc6 9.Be4 e6 10.Rd1 Qe7 11.h3 Nh6 12.Qd2 Ng8 13.Bg5 f6
If e.g. ...de5, 14.Qd8 leads to mate. ...Qd7 is playable though.
14.ef Bf6 15.O-O Bd7 16.Ne4 Bg5 17.Qg5
White seeks an exchange of queens.
17...de5
18.Nfg5 Ke7
Since the e-pawn must fall, 0-0-0 might be better.
19.Rd4 Na8 20.Rdd4 e5 21.Ne5 Kf6 22.Rd5 Bc6 23.Nc6 Nc6
24.Ne4 Ke6 25.Rd8
Black Resigns